

## Message Text

PAGE 01 TOKYO 12275 211116Z

12

ACTION SS-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /026 W

----- 025250

P R 210930Z SEP 73

FM MAEMBASSY TOKYO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6965

INFO AMEMBASSY SEOUL

USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

CINCPAC

C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 12275

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, JA, KS, UN

SUBJECT: KOREAN QUESTION AT UNGA

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

1. KOREAN COUNTRY DIRECTOR RANARD CALLED SEPT 20 ON FONOFF UN POL AFFAIRS DIV HEAD OWADA (DIRGEN SUZUKI ALSO PRESENT BRIEFLY) TO REVIEW CURRENT STATUS OF KOREAN QUESTION AT UNGA.

2. OWADA LED OFF WITH SUMMARY OF RESULTS OF JAPANESE SOUNDINGS CONDUCTED IN CAPITALS. AS OF SEPT 17, FONOFF HAD RECEIVED 89 RESPONSES WITH FOLLOWING RESULTS. ON DISSOLUTION OF UNCURK, 68 IN FAVOR, 1 AGAINST, 1 ABSENTION, 19 UNDECIDED OR NOT KNOWN. ON UNC, 27 FAVOR CONTINUATION, 30 FAVOR DISSOLUTION, 6 WOULD ABSTAIN AND 16 UNDECIDED. ON ADMISSION OF 2 KOREAS, 35 IN FAVOR, 31 AGAINST, 4 ABSTENTION, 19 UNDECIDED. OWADA SAID JAPANESE MISSIONS ARE NOW ENGAGED IN TAKING SECOND ROUND OF SOUNDINGS BASED ON ACTUAL LANGUAGE OF OUR RESOLUTION. REPLIES TO THIS SECOND ROUND ARE NOW COMING IN BUT NOT ENOUGH WERE YET AVAILABLE TO PERMIT ANALYSIS.

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 TOKYO 12275 211116Z

3. ON BASIS OF FIRST ROUND SOUNDINGS, OWADA HAS IMPRESSION THAT MANY COUNTRIES ARE UNDECIDED ABOUT TAKING CLEAR STAND, PARTICULARLY WITH RESPECT TO ADMISSION OF TWO KOREAS. OWADA NOT CERTAIN WHETHER

TO INTERPRET THIS AS INDICATION OF FLEXIBILITY OR INCLINATION TOWARD ABSTENTION. AS CASE IN POINT, HE CITED SWEDEN WHICH FAVORS DISSOLUTION OF UNCURK, IS "UNEASY" ABOUT UNC, AND FAVORS ADMISSION OF TWO KOREAS IN LINE WITH PRINCIPLE OF UNIVERSALITY. HOWEVER, WHILE FINDING NO SUBSTANTIVE DIFFICULTY WITH OUR RESOLUTION, SWEDES HAVE SUGGESTED THAT TWO RESOLUTIONS ARE SO SIMILAR THERE SHOULD BE SOME POSSIBILITY OF AMALGAMATION. IN OWADA'S VIEW, MOVE FOR AMALGAMATION BY SWEDES OR OTHERS WOULD CONFUSE ISSUE AND ALMOST CERTAINLY LEAD TO MORE ABSTENTIONS. TO AVOID THIS DEVELOPMENT, IT MIGHT BE BETTER TO BRING KOREAN ISSUE TO VOTE EARLY RATHER THAN LATE.

4. OWADA SAID KIM CASE HAS AS YET HAD NO GREAT EFFECT ON JAPANESE ATTITUDES TOWARD KOREAN ISSUE IN UNGA. HOWEVER, IF CURRENT IMPASSE IS PROLONGED AND TENSION IN JAPAN RISES, IT WILL BCOME MORE DIFFICULT FOR GOJ TO SUPPORT SOUTH KOREAN POSITION IN UN. IN SHORT, GOJ HAS SO FAR BEEN ABLE TO COUNTER AND CONTAIN CRITICISM WITH NO GREAT DIFFICULTY, BUT OWADA EXPRESSED APPREHENSION IF CASE REMAINS UNRESOLVED.

5. WITH USUN 3227 IN MIND, EMBOFF ASKED OWADA ABOUT GOJ LOBBYING. HE RESPONDED THAT JAPANESE EFFORTS IN NEW YORK DIFFER FROM THOSE IN CAPITALS. AT UN, MISSION IS ATTEMPTING TO LINE UP FIRM SUPPORT FOR RESOLUTION. IN CAPITALS, JAPANESE EMBASSIES ARE CONDUCTING EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO ACQUAINT HOST GOVTS WITH MEANING AND IMPORTANCE OF VARIOUS ELEMENTS WHICH OUR RESOLUTION ENCOMPASSES, THOUGH COMMITMENTS OF SUPPORT WILL BE SOUGHT IN DUE COURSE. OWADA ADDED PARENTHETICALLY THAT KIM CASE SEEMS TO HAVE AROUSED VERY LITTLE INTEREST AROUND WORLD. HE GAVE NO HINT THAT FONOFF HAD ISSUED GO SLOW ORDERS BECAUSE OF KIM CASE, AND SECOND ROUND SOUNDINGS WOULD SEEM TO CONSTITUTE CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 TOKYO 12275 211116Z

EVIDENCE OF CONTINUING ACTIVE SUPPORT.

6. ASKED ABOUT POSSIBLE REACTION IN JAPAN IF OUR RESOLUTION SHOULD BE DEFEATED, OWADA EXPRESSED VIEW THAT WIN OR LOSE, JAPANESE OPINION WILL PROBABLY REMAIN RELAXED SINCE OUR POSITION IS REASONABLE ONE. HOWEVER, HE REPEATED THAT KIM CASE, IF UNRESOLVED, COULD SENSITIZE JAPANESE OPINION AND MAKE DEFEAT MUCH LESS TOLERABLE.

SHOESMITH

CONFIDENTIAL

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** Z  
**Capture Date:** 10 MAY 1999  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** TERRITORIAL UNIFICATION, DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 21 SEP 1973  
**Decaption Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Decaption Note:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** elyme  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1973TOKYO12275  
**Document Source:** ADS  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** 11652 GDS  
**Errors:** n/a  
**Film Number:** P750011-2344  
**From:** MAEMBASSY TOKYO  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1973/newtext/t19730964/abqcekwu.tel  
**Line Count:** 108  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, TEXT ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION SS  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** EXDIS  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** EXDIS  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** elyme  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 12 OCT 2001  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <12-Oct-2001 by thigpegh>; APPROVED <15-Nov-2001 by elyme>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** KOREAN QUESTION AT UNGA  
**TAGS:** PFOR, PORG, JA, KS, KN, UNGA, (OWADA)  
**To:** STATE INFO SEOUL  
USUN N Y  
CINCPAC  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005